



TOWN OF AMENIA

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TOWN BOARD BUSINESS WORKSHOP

Town Hall- 1st Floor

AGENDA

August 9, 2012

7:00pm

Salute Flag
Emergency Exits

Roll Call

Open Public Hearing

- Local Law #4 of 2012 Adding Chapter 113 to Town Code entitled "Vehicle and Traffic"

Close Public Hearing

Return to Regular Meeting

Public Comments -

Highway Report -
Town Clerk Report -

Discussions-

- Transfer Station- DEC
- Authorize Building Use- Sept 23rd Somos La Llave del Futuro
- After school enrichment program
- Old Amenia Landfill- Technical Service Change Order #3

Resolutions

- Special duties for constables
- Rescind open container law on August 18th for recreation event

Supervisor's Report

Town Board Comments

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Councilwoman Doyle motioned, seconded by C/ Hoss

Motion to open the Meeting of the Town Board

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Salute to the flag was conducted;

A moment of silence for the military serving in this county and around the world.

Emergency exits behind the Town Clerk and at the rear of the room behind the audience at the door entered.

Councilwoman Perotti motioned, seconded by C/ Riemer

Motion to open the Public Hearing for Local Law #4 of 2012 Adding Chapter 113 to Town Code entitled "Vehicle and Traffic"

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Public Comment

C/Perotti has received calls regarding the concern for the additional traffic traveling through the center of town and inquired how the Board came up with the total weight of 10,000lbs.

Discussion with Attorney MacDonald on the gross weight limits. Highway Superintendant Stan Whitehead from the audience commented when asked by S/Flood that he has no problems with the limit of 10,000lbs being set.

Councilwoman Doyle motioned, seconded by C/ Hoss

Motion to close the Public Hearing

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

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S/Flood read the Short EAF aloud;

Supervisor Flood motioned, seconded by C/ Hoss

Motion to accept Resolution #48 of 2012 SEQRA Findings for Local Law #4

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Councilman Hoss motioned, seconded by C/ Doyle

Motion to accept Resolution #49 of 2012 Adoption of Local Law #4

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Public Comment

- Jim Fraleigh, Transfer Station Attendant asked what is happening with the current transfer station location; what will happen to the remaining monies in the personnel line once the transfer station closes; what about the seniors in the community who cannot afford the additional costs and where are the revenues going from the recycling of metal? S/Flood stated that it was a board decision to move the transfer station and that in doing so would save the town money and currently the DEC is involved in this matter. The movement of the transfer station will be re-bid to run the program off site because the operation of the transfer station at its current location is in violation of the town zoning rules.
- Tom Werner, inquired about the sign at the Shell station at the center of town. Per Attorney MacDonald this matter is before the local court. He also inquired about the large Wassaic Project Sign that can be seen off of Route 22. S/Flood reported that a temporary permit was issued. He further inquired about the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343, the concern of the cars parking on the corners and the oncoming and goings of the turning traffic which include large vehicles such as the fire trucks and trucks from Judge Manning's onto the main road. He also pointed out the matter of parking in front of the newly reopened restaurant at that intersection and the and newly added curbing. S/Flood commented that the curbing was required by Dutchess County Planning.
- Louise Lindenmeyr, President of the Board of Somos La Llave presented information about the harvest festival scheduled for Sept. 23rd from 3-8pm. There will be live music, food for sale and various agencies will be present providing information about healthcare

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and workers rights and wages. An evening of fun for the Spanish community and locals. A building use permit has been submitted to the town as well as the required building use fee. The board approved the use of the building. Discussion was had among the board with regards the necessity of the applicants making a presentation at a board meeting. By consensus of the Board as long as all paperwork has been turned into the Town Clerk's Office and has been circulated, there is no need for the applicant to appear at a meeting. Ms. Lindenmeyr also inquired about an office space in the town hall, S/Flood advised Ms Lindenmeyr to speak with Erin Bailey from recreation. There are possibilities of sharing office space on the second floor.

Highway Report- Stan Whitehead, Highway Superintendent

Mr. Whitehead reported on the current projects the department is working on. He also expressed the concern of the parking at the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343, with the limited sight and increased traffic. At that same location he also inquired about the sidewalk. S/Flood stated that the sidewalk will be repaired in the next two weeks. He further inquired about employee handbook. As S/Flood has not heard back from Mr. Jeff Travers, he had nothing further to report. C/Perotti noted that an email was circulated adding the two hour minimum when highway crew is called in, a sample resolution was included and the only thing that the board needed to follow up on was the retirement benefits. C/Perotti will re-circulate that email. Mr. Whitehead lastly commented on new email that he has been assigned. C/Doyle explained that all town employees are using a town email address and S/Flood will contact BAS to see that the emails are linked properly.

C/Doyle has purchased a new garbage can for Wassaic Park. After discussions, highway department will empty the garbage can and discard the old picnic table and replace it with one from Tractor Supply. Highway has agreed to pick up the table from Tractor Supply and the Town will purchase it.

Town Clerk Report- Patty Barron

The Clerk has sent in the application to the County requesting the speed to be reduce on Old Route 22 from Dunn Road to the Hamlet of Wassaic. The Clerk's application to sell hunting and fishing licenses has been approved and she will start selling licenses. The season opens Aug. 13th.

Discussions

Supervisor Flood motioned, seconded by C/ Hoss

Motion to accept Resolution 50 Advertise for Bids for the Transfer Station

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

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After school Enrichment Program

S/Flood introduction that Erin Bailey would like to run an afterschool enrichment program; S/Flood will have Ms. Bailey put together a packet of information and present to the board prior to advertisement.

Old Amenia Landfill- Technical Service Change

Liz Rovers, CT MALE, presented information on the current activity at the Landfill. Over the past month they have been working on excavating the PCB contaminated soil and re-grading the area and excavated the waste material. They discussed the revised costs of 7.5 million and noted that the current costs are less than the originally presented cost of 9million in 2007. Ms Rovers will confirm with EFC when the first principal payment is due. Also discussed was the encounter of large rocks in the area and the Town Highway Department using them on a stream bank reconstruction project; NYS DEC requires the rocks to be washed before leaving the construction site. Ms. Rovers presented the Board with a price quote.

Councilwomen Riemer motioned, seconded by C/ Doyle

Motion to approve the change in the construction work order as informally explained by Ms Rovers including the washing of the rocks as needed by the Town Highway, and the rental of the portable dam also as needed.

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Mike Kelsey, County Legislature presented the Board with an update. Amenia's Wastewater Project was presented and discussed. The committee met and approved appealing the law that currently exists that requires that one or more municipalities must exist for the DCWWA to take part of a project. The committee will present the amendment of the law so that there may be only one municipality involved with the County when creating a Water or Wastewater District. He sees that this will pass, and the Town and County will be able to move forward with the development of the Wastewater District.

Amenia was another agenda item, the County will be asking for federal money for repair of a bridge that crosses over Webutuck Creek.

The County is working on the 2013 budget. Issues that they are faced with are raising taxes, borrow money or layoffs.

Mr. Kelsey is working on a local law for a tax exemption on county taxes for seniors and persons with disabilities.

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Councilwomen Perotti motioned, seconded by C/ Riemer

Motion to accept Resolution # 51 of 2012 Old Amenia Landfill- Technical Services

Change Order

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Supervisor Flood motioned, seconded by C/ Doyle

***Motion to accept Resolution # 52 of 2012 Rescind open container for recreation event-
the Sundowner***

Councilman Hoss	NO
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	NO
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

C/Hoss inquired the reasoning why this event is listed under Amenia Recreation, and if there was a recreation department. S/Flood stated that she is part of the recreation commission.

Supervisor Flood motioned, seconded by C/ Doyle

***Motion to accept Resolution # 53 of 2012 Special Duties for Town Constables-
Recreation Event- the Sundowner***

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

C/Doyle inquired about the cost of the constables; C/Riemer noted that the flyer should indicate an end time.

Supervisor's Report

Senator Greg Ball is accepting nominations for the Veterans Hall of Fame;

Aug 18th Sundowner at the Town Hall;

NYSERDA Grant finalized on Tuesday.

Meet with a company to write the Existing Facilities Grant.

Whaley Fundraiser and the Wassaic Project were held with great success. Great job by all.

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Motion to accept the proposal of Aramis Shundi of Shundi Mosaic Tile for work at fountain square upon receipt of an insurance certificate.

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

S/Flood disclosed that he was the landlord for Mr. Shundi. Board found no conflict.

C/Doyle reviewed that the Garden Tour went well, and that the Enhancement Committee has been working on developing street scape improvements and a list of acceptable plantings for the center of town. Rebuilding Together applications are still being accepted, stop into the Town Clerk's office for an application. Joy Brown has asked her to inquire among the board if they are interested in meeting with her to discuss an affordable housing grant at the Taconic DDSO site. She sees this site as an ideal area to bring in affordable housing for veterans. Board was willing to meet with her informally but as the decision continued it was the consensus that they wait to see what the state does with the location. Currently the State is conducting studies of the infrastructure with the possibility of building a new building to maintaining the jobs of the 400 employees. S/Flood has been meeting with them monthly. C/Doyle also states that the pump at Fountain Square is not working properly. She is working on correcting this issue.

Councilwomen Doyle motioned, seconded by C/ Perotti

Motion to honor Peter Jimco who passed away last year as an Honorary Citizen of Amenia for his many years of dedicated service at the Seniors BBQ

Councilman Hoss	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Supervisor Flood	Aye
Motion carries	

Mr. Jimco's family will be presented with a plaque and he will be remembered at the BBQ on Sat. August 11th.

C/Hoss will be attending the Pedestrian and Bike Plan meeting next week that the county is hosting.

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Councilwoman Doyle motioned, seconded by C/ Hoss

Motion to adjourn the meeting

Councilman Hoss Aye

Councilwoman Doyle Aye

Councilwoman Perotti Aye

Councilwoman Riemer Aye

Supervisor Flood Aye

Motion carries

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Marie Klingner

By order of the Town Board

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on August 9, 2012 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

_____Approved as read on

_____Approved with: deletions, corrections, and additions